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TO

Remove the Disqualification of Ministers of Religion in  
Ireland to be Poor Law Guardians. A.D. 1880.

**B** E it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and  
with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and  
Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and  
by the authority of the same, as follows :

5 **1.** This Act may be cited as the Poor Law Guardians (Ireland) Short title  
of Act.  
Act, 1880.

**2.** *From and after the first day of January one thousand eight  
hundred and eighty-one*, so much of section nineteen of an Act  
passed in the Session of Parliament held in the first and second  
10 years of the reign of her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for the  
" more effectual relief of the destitute poor in Ireland," as provides  
that no person being in holy orders, or being a regular minister of  
any religious denomination shall be eligible for election as a guardian  
of the poor, and so much of section twenty-three of the said Act as  
15 provides that no such person as aforesaid shall be an ex officio  
guardian of the poor, shall be and the same is hereby repealed; and  
the said sections respectively shall be read and construed as though  
the words "provided always, that no person being in holy orders or  
" being a regular minister of any religious denomination shall be  
20 " eligible as a guardian," were omitted from the said section nine-  
teen, and the words "or a person in holy orders, or a regular  
" minister of any religious denomination," were omitted from the  
said section twenty-three: Provided that this repeal shall not affect  
the operation of the said sections respectively previous to the said  
25 *first day of January*, nor anything duly done or suffered under the  
said provisions hereby repealed, nor any right, privilege, obligation,  
or liability acquired, accrued, or incurred in respect of any offence  
committed against the said provisions hereby repealed, nor any  
[Bill 75.]

*Amendment  
of sections  
19 and 23 of  
1 & 2 Vict.  
c. 68.*

- A.D. 1890. investigation, legal proceeding, or remedy in respect of any such  
— right, privilege, obligation, liability, penalty, forfeiture, or punishment as aforesaid; and any such investigation, legal proceeding, and remedy may be carried on as if this Act had not passed.

**Poor Law Guardians  
(Ireland) (Ministers  
of Religion).**

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*(Proposed and brought in by  
David Ashmun Esq., Member of the House, and  
Mr. James O'Connell.)*

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